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Sir:

Applicants hereby request the above-identified application be examined according to the procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a). This application meets the criteria set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) since it has an actual filing date of June 6, 1995 and an effective filing date of March 3, 1986 and it is accompanied by a fee of \$790.00 as required by § 1.17(r).

Applicants hereby request that the finality of the Office Action be withdrawn and that the Amendment and Response to Paper No. 19 filed August 24, 1998, be entered and considered by the Examiner.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this response, such extension is hereby requested. If there are any fees due

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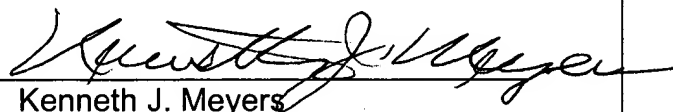
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under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-916.

Respectfully submitted,

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